

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Currently Amended) A method for correcting a misspelled word, comprising:
  - displaying a word list for user selection of a correctly spelled word to replace the misspelled word;
  - prompting a user to select a type of assistance information to be displayed, wherein the assistance information is associated with the correctly spelled word; and
  - displaying the user-selected assistance information associated with the correctly spelled word.
2. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1, wherein the assistance information is selected from:
  - one or more root words;
  - one or more spelling rules; and
  - one or more memorization clues.
3. (Original) The method of claim 1, further comprising:
  - replacing the misspelled word with the correctly spelled word selected by the user.
4. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1, further comprising:
  - replacing the misspelled word with a user input word; and
  - storing in memory an association of the user input word as the correctly spelled word for the misspelled word.
5. (Original) The method of claim 1, further comprising:
  - tracking a number of times the correctly spelled word has been misspelled; and
  - when the number exceeds a threshold number, displaying a spelling exercise for

user practice.

6. (Original) The method of claim 1, further comprising:  
identifying a misspelling pattern associated with the misspelled word; and  
displaying an explanation for correcting the misspelling pattern.
7. (Original) The method of claim 6, wherein the misspelling pattern comprises a  
typing error pattern.
8. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1, further comprising:  
analyzing a plurality of words in a document; and  
displaying analysis results comprising at least one of a misspelled words count, a  
mistyped words count and a percentage of correctly spelled words.
9. (Currently Amended) A signal bearing medium containing instructions of a  
computer program which, when executed by one or more processors, performs a  
method comprising:  
displaying a word list for user selection of a correctly spelled word to replace the  
misspelled word;  
prompting a user to select a type of assistance information to be displayed,  
wherein the assistance information is associated with the correctly spelled word; and  
displaying the user-selected assistance information associated with the correctly  
spelled word.
10. (Previously Presented) The signal bearing medium of claim 9, wherein the  
assistance information is selected from:  
one or more root words;  
one or more spelling rules; and  
one or more memorization clues.
11. (Original) The signal bearing medium of claim 9, wherein the method further

comprises:

replacing the misspelled word with the correctly spelled word selected by the user.

12. (Previously Presented) The signal bearing medium of claim 9, wherein the method further comprises:

replacing the misspelled word with a user input word; and  
storing in memory an association of the user input word as the correctly spelled word for the misspelled word.

13. (Original) The signal bearing medium of claim 9, wherein the method further comprises:

tracking a number of times the correctly spelled word has been misspelled; and  
when the number exceeds a threshold number, displaying a spelling exercise.

14. (Original) The signal bearing medium of claim 9, wherein the method further comprises:

identifying a misspelling pattern associated with the misspelled word; and  
displaying an explanation for correcting the misspelling pattern.

15. (Original) The signal bearing medium of claim 14, wherein the misspelling pattern comprising a typing error pattern.

16. (Previously Presented) The signal bearing medium of claim 9, wherein the method further comprises:

analyzing a plurality of words in a document; and  
displaying analysis results comprising at least one of a misspelled words count, a mistyped words count and a percentage of correctly spelled words.

17. (Currently Amended) A computer system comprising one or more processors and memory configured to execute a computer program which, when

executed, performs a method comprising:

displaying a word list for user selection of a correctly spelled word to replace the misspelled word;

prompting a user to select a type of assistance information to be displayed,  
wherein the assistance information is associated with the correctly spelled word; and  
displaying the user-selected assistance information associated with the correctly spelled word.

18. (Previously Presented) The computer system of claim 17, wherein the assistance information is selected from:

one or more root words;  
one or more spelling rules; and  
one or more memorization clues.

19. (Original) The computer system of claim 17, wherein the method further comprises:  
replacing the misspelled word with the correctly spelled word selected by the user.

20. (Previously Presented) The computer system of claim 17, wherein the method further comprises:  
replacing the misspelled word with a user input word; and  
storing in memory an association of the user input word as the correctly spelled word for the misspelled word.

21. (Original) The computer system of claim 17, wherein the method further comprises:  
tracking a number of times the correctly spelled word has been misspelled; and  
when the number exceeds a threshold number, displaying a spelling exercise.

22. (Original) The computer system of claim 17, wherein the method further

comprises:

identifying a misspelling pattern associated with the misspelled word; and

23. (Original) The computer system of claim 22, wherein the misspelling pattern comprises a typing error pattern.

24. (Previously Presented) The computer system of claim 17, wherein the method further comprises:

analyzing a plurality of words in a document; and

displaying analysis results comprising at least one of a misspelled words count, a mistyped words count and a percentage of correctly spelled words.